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WAC 296-30-200	Definitions	Janice Deal Crime Victims Compensation 360-902-5369	6-4-03	To be determined	To be determined	<p>Prior to 1986 if a worker (victim of crime) died from an unrelated condition while on permanent total disability their award went to their dependents. In 1986 RCW 51.32.067 took effect. This statute has the worker (victim) choose an option before being placed on permanent total disability. The worker (victim) may choose the full monthly calculation, which if the worker (victim) died from an unrelated condition, the award would cease or the worker (victim) may choose an actuarially reduced monthly award which would provide for their dependents should they die from an unrelated condition.</p> <p>RCW 51.32.067 establishes three options for permanent total disability awards based on actuarial lifetime calculations. RCW 7.68.070(13) establishes a maximum award of \$40,000 for permanent total disability which is calculated based on statute not, actuarial tables. The two statutes conflict. For this reason the crime victims compensation program has administered their permanent total disability under RCW 7.68.070(13), not RCW 51.32.067. The purpose of this rulemaking is to clarify how CVC implements RCW 7.68.070(13).</p>
WAC 296-30-010	Definitions	Janice Deal Crime Victims Compensation 360-902-5369	6-4-03	To be determined	To be determined	RCW 7.68.070(17) authorizes a benefit of counseling for immediate family members of a homicide victim. The statute refers to “immediate near term consequences of the related effects of the homicide”. Currently the Crime Victims Compensation Program has an internal policy defining the language of RCW 7.68.070 (17). The Crime Victims Compensation program is considering a rule to replace the internal policy.



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Chapter 296-17 WAC	General Reporting Rules, Classifications, Audit & Record Keeping, Rates & Rating System for Workers' Compensation Insurance	Ken Woehl Employer Services 360-902-4775	1/8/03	7/1/03	9/30/03	Temporary Staffing Industry - Amend rules applicable to the temporary help staffing industry for changes to the general reporting rules and classification definitions for greater clarity and ease of understanding.
Chapter 296-17 WAC	General Reporting Rules, Classifications, Audit & Record keeping, Rates & Rating System for Workers' Compensation Insurance	Ken Woehl Employer Services 360-902-4775	2/19/03	8/12/03	11/11/03	Amend general reporting rules and classification definitions for multiple industries as contained in the classification plan. Includes codifying reciprocal agreements and extraterritorial coverages into rule form, ownership coverage, rule changes for greater clarity, and housekeeping changes.
Chapter 296-17 WAC	General Reporting Rules, Classifications, Audit & Record Keeping, Rates & Rating System for Workers' Compensation Insurance	Ken Woehl Employer Services 360-902-4775	6/17/03	9/16/03	11/18/03	'2004' Rates Filing - For calendar year 2004, adjust the state fund insurance base rate table for loss experience, update retro rating tables for premium adjustments, and amend/develop rules as needed to address acts of terrorism and catastrophic losses resulting from acts of terrorism.
Chapter 296-17 WAC	General Reporting Rules, Classifications, Audit & Record Keeping, Rates & Rating System for Workers' Compensation Insurance	Frank Romero Retrospective Rating 360-902-4835	8/03	1/04	7/04	Retrospective Rating Program Rules – Update rule to allow use of paperless record management systems such as microfiche or imaging in lieu of maintaining paper copies of contracts. Add rule that covers disqualified employer participants and continued participation in previously approved group.



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Chapter 296-15 WAC	Workers' Compensation Self-Insurance Rules & Regulations	George Picket Self Insurance 360- 902-6907	7/19/02	9/1/03	11/1/03	Modifications in the following areas: certification requirements, including both financial requirements and claims administration structure requirements, vocational reporting requirements, including 90 day Employability Assessment Report and rehabilitation outcome reporting, reporting requirements when initiating and terminating time loss, submissions of protests, appeals and reopening requests to the department, timeframes for payment of penalties, and jurisdiction for claim closure.
Chapter 296-20 WAC	Medical Aid Rules - Consultations	Jami Lifka Office of the Medical Director 360-902-4941	9/2003	1/2004	5/2004	The Department may amend WAC 296-20-01002 and WAC 296-20-051 to make them consistent with Current Procedural Terminology's (CPT) definitions of consultations.
Chapter 296-20 WAC	Medical Aid Rules - Proper & Necessary	Jami Lifka Office of the Medical Director 360-902-4941	9/2003	1/2004	5/2004	Pursuant to ESHB 1299 of the 2003 Laws, the Department will coordinate with other state agencies to amend WAC 296-20-01002 to make the definition of "proper and necessary" consistent, where possible, to the other agencies' definitions of "medical necessity."
Chapters 296-20 WAC, 296-21 WAC 296-23 WAC 296-23A WAC	Medical Aid Rules, Reimbursement Policies, Specialty Providers, Hospitals	Jami Lifka Office of the Medical Director 360-902-4941	10/2003	1/2004	4/2004	The Department may reorganize and renumber these chapters on medical aid rules, reimbursement policies, specialty providers and hospitals so that information is easier to find.



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Chapter 296-14 WAC	Industrial Insurance- Mortality Assumptions	Valerie Grimm Policy & Quality Coordination 360-902-5005	6/20/01	9/2003	3/2004	This rule making will provide updates to mortality assumptions used to determine pension reserves and actuarial benefit reductions.
Chapter 296-14 WAC	Industrial Insurance	Valerie Grimm Policy & Quality Coordination 360- 902-5005	8/2002	10/2003	4/2004	This rule making will provide clarification on how to determine a worker’s employment pattern at the time of injury or on the date of disease manifestation for the purpose of calculating the worker’s wage.
Chapter 296-14 WAC	Industrial Insurance	Valerie Grimm Policy & Quality Coordination 360-902-5005	11/2003	5/2004	11/2004	This rule making will provide definitions for terms used within chapter 296-14 WAC and will identify and move definitions currently in chapter 296-20 WAC that need to be placed in chapter 296-14 WAC, such as total temporary disability. The rule will include amendment of the definition of temporary partial disability.
Chapter 296-14 WAC	Industrial Insurance	Valerie Grimm Policy & Quality Coordination 360-902-5005	8/2003	1/2004	7/2004	This rule making will provide clarification on: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The required elements of a valid transitional / light duty job offered from the employer of record.• What is expected of the employer and worker?• How to determine a worker’s entitlement to time-loss compensation and loss of earning power benefits when a transitional / light duty job is offered.•
Chapter 296-19A	Vocational Rehabilitation	Blake Maresh Health Servs. Analysis Program Analysis & Development 360-902-6564	Summer/ Fall 2003	Fall/ Winter 2003-04	Spring/ Summer 2004	To make improvements to service delivery in the Ability to Work Assessment (AWA) and Plan phases of vocational rehabilitation, performance measurement, and overall emphasis on Return to Work (RTW) outcomes. Amendments to the qualifications rules may also be made.



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WAC 296-19A-045 WAC 296-19A-080 WAC 296-19A-120	Vocational Rehabilitation	Mary Kaempfe Health Services Analysis – Program Analysis & Development 360-902-6811	CR 105 Expedited Rule making Summer 2003	N/A	TBD 9/03	To make technical amendments to three sections of chapter 296-19A as a result of public comments received on rules adopted May 12, 2003 (WSR 03-11-009). The department plans to use an expedited process so that the rules become effective in February 2004. The changes will clarify that progress reports must be issued every 30 days from the date of the electronic referral and add the term calendar days to the rule.
DIVISION: WASHINGTON INDUSTRIAL SAFETY & HEALTH (WISHA)						
Chapter 296-24 WAC, General Safety and Health Standards	Cranes - Bridge Style, Mobile, Tower/Portal & Derricks	Kimberly Johnson Policy & Quality Coordination 360-902-5008 Sally Elliott Policy & Quality Coordination 360-902-5484	4-17-02	6-27-03	11-4-03	These rules are being rewritten and organized for clarity and ease of use. The project will include bridge style, mobile, tower/portal, and derricks.
Chapter 296-24 WAC, General Safety and Health Standards	Cranes – Personnel, Lifting, Hoist & Helicopters	Kimberly Johnson Policy & Quality Coordination 360-902-5008 Sally Elliott Policy & Quality Coordination 360-902-5484	8-5-03	12-16-03	3-04	These rules are being rewritten and organized for clarity and ease of use. The project will include personnel lifting, hoist, and helicopters.



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Chapter 296-24 WAC, General Safety and Health Standards	Lockout/Tagout	Jim Hughes Policy & Quality Coordination 360-902-4504 Sally Elliott Policy & Quality Coordination 360-902-5484	5-6-03	11-19-03	3-16-04	The requirements relating to the control of hazardous energy (lockout/tagout) in chapter 296-24 WAC are being rewritten for clarity and ease of use and assigned to a new chapter.
Chapter 296-24 WAC, General Safety and Health Standards	Machine Safety	Cindy Ireland Policy & Quality Coordination 360-902-5522 Sally Elliott Policy & Quality Coordination 360-905-5484	2-21-01	9-2-03	To be determined	The machine safety rules in chapter 296-24 WAC are being rewritten and organized for clarity and ease of use and assigned to a new chapter. The project will include requirements for all machines, saws and cutting heads, conveyors, food processing, mechanical power press, abrasive wheels, forging, and other specific machinery. Some requirements are being updated and revised, therefore the department will complete a small business economic impact statement and cost benefit analysis.
Chapter 296-24 WAC, General Safety and Health Standards	Powered Industrial Trucks	Jim Hughes Policy & Quality Coordination 360-902-4504 Sally Elliott Policy & Quality Coordination 360-902-5484	5-6-03	12-16-03	To be determined	The powered industrial truck (forklift) rules in chapter 296-24 WAC are being rewritten for clarity and ease of use and assigned to a new chapter.



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Chapter 296-24 WAC, General Safety and Health Standards	Scaffolds	Carol Stevenson Policy & Quality Coordination 360-902-4778 Sally Elliott Policy & Quality Coordination 360-902-5484	1-21-03	12-16-03	To be determined	The scaffold rules in chapter 296-24 WAC are being rewritten and for clarity and ease of use and assigned to a new chapter.
Chapter 296-45 WAC, Safety Standards for Electrical Workers	Electrical	Sally Elliott Policy & Quality Coordination 360-902-5484	3-18-03	5-6-03	8-19-03	To eliminate confusion about the location of a standby employee(s) when required, length of a hot stick, describe what constitutes a multi-phase electrical feed, update national consensus standards, and to correct some references.
Chapter 296-62 WAC, General Occupational Health Standards	Access to Records	Sally Elliott Policy & Quality Coordination 360-902-5484	2-4-03	9-19-03	1-04	The employee’s or designated representative’s request access to records rules from chapter 296-62 WAC are being rewritten and organized for clarity and ease of use and assigned to a new chapter.
Chapter 296-62 WAC, General Occupational Health Standards	Confined Spaces	Carol Stevenson Policy & Quality Coordination 360-902-4778 Sally Elliott Policy & Quality Coordination 360-902-5484	6-19-02	8-19-03	12-2-03	The confined space rules from chapter 296-62 WAC are being rewritten for clarity and ease of use and assigned to a new chapter.



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Chapter 296-62 WAC, General Occupational Health Standards	Hazardous Waste	Jim Hughes Policy & Quality Coordination 360-902-4504 Sally Elliott Policy & Quality Coordination 360-902-5484	4-26-00	6-27-03	10-7-03	The hazardous waste rules from chapter 296-62 WAC are being rewritten for clarity and ease of use and assigned to a new chapter.
Chapter 296-62 WAC, General Occupational Health Standards	Respiratory Hazards	Kimberly Johnson Policy & Quality Coordination 360-902-5008 Sally Elliott Policy & Quality Coordination 360-902-5484	4-1-03	5-20-03	9-16-03	The controlling and identifying respiratory hazards rules from chapter 296-62 WAC are being rewritten for clarity and ease of use and assigned to a new chapter.
Chapter 296-62 WAC, General Occupational Health Standards	Respirators	Kimberly Johnson Policy & Quality Coordination 360-902-5008 Sally Elliott Policy & Quality Coordination 360-902-5484	5-22-02	3-28-03	9-16-03	The respirator rules from chapter 296-62 WAC are being rewritten for clarity and ease of use and assigned to a new chapter.



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Chapter 296-307 WAC, Safety Standards for Agriculture	Cholinesterase Monitoring	Cindy Ireland Policy & Quality Coordination 360-902-5522	3-6-02	7-9-03	To be determined	The Washington State Supreme Court ruling, <i>Rios v. Dept of Labor and Industries</i> , ordered the department to initiate rule making on a mandatory cholinesterase monitoring program for agricultural pesticide handlers.
Chapter 296-800 WAC, Safety and Health Core Rules	Sanitation	Cindy Ireland Policy & Quality Coordination 360-902-5522 Sally Elliott Policy & Quality Coordination 360-905-5484	6-3-03 Expedited Rule making CR 105	N/A	9-2-03	The sanitation rules from chapter 296-24 WAC are being rewritten for clarity and ease of use and adopted into the Safety and Health Core Rules. Additional housekeeping changes will be made.



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Chapter 296-46B WAC	Electrical Safety Standards, Administration, & Installation	Ron Fuller 360-902-5249 Josh Swanson 360-902-6411	6/17/03 CR 105 Expedited Rule Filing	N/A	8/19/03	The purpose of this rulemaking is to make minor technical corrections, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Correct an inappropriate reference in WAC 296-46B-905(9)(a);Correct a fee that was inadvertently increased in WAC 296-46B-905(3); andCorrect compliance dates in WAC 296-46B-930 and 296-46B-950 to ensure consistency with the compliance schedule established in these rules.
Chapter 296-127 WAC	Prevailing Wage	Rich Ervin 360-902-5310 Josh Swanson 360-902-6411	8/19/03 CR 105 Expedited Rule Filing	N/A	10/21/03	The purpose of this rulemaking is to make changes to the Prevailing Wage rules (Chapter 296-127 WAC) based on the enactment of Chapter 301, Laws of 2003 (An ACT Relating to job order contracting for public works - Substitute Senate Bill 1788).
Chapter 296-200A WAC	Contractor Certificate of Registration Renewals - Security - Insurance	Pete Schmidt 360-902-5571 Josh Swanson 360-902-6411	6/20/01	7/22/03	8/28/03	The purpose of this rulemaking is to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Make changes resulting from the enactment of Chapter 159, Laws of 2001 (Substitute Senate Bill 5101);Review the rules for possible substantive changes; andReview the rules for possible fee increases.Make clarifying and housekeeping changes.
Chapter 296-400A WAC	Plumber Certification Rules	Pete Schmidt 360-902-5571 Josh Swanson 360-902-6411	7/22/03	10/21/03	11/26/03	The purpose of this rulemaking is to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Make changes resulting from the enactment of Chapter 399, Laws of 2003 (Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill 5713);Review the rules for possible substantive changes;Review the rules for possible fee increases; andMake clarifying and housekeeping changes.



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Chapter 296-46B WAC	Electrical Safety Standards, Administration & Installation	Ron Fuller 360-902-5249 Josh Swanson 360-902-6411	7/22/03	3/2/04	4/20/04	The purpose of this rulemaking is to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Make changes resulting from the enactment of Chapter 399, Laws of 2003 (Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill 5713);• Make changes resulting from the enactment of Chapter 242, Laws of 2003 (Substitute Senate Bill 5434);• Make changes resulting from the enactment of Chapter 211, Laws of 2003 (Engrossed Senate Bill 5210);• Make changes resulting from the enactment of Chapter 78, Laws of 2003 (Substitute House Bill 1848);• Review the rules for possible substantive changes;• Review the rules for possible fee increases; and• Make clarifying and housekeeping changes.
Chapter 296-150C, 296-150F, 296-150M, 296-150P, 296-150R, 296-150T, and 296-150V WAC	Washington Administrative Codes for Factory Assembled Structures	Pete Schmidt 360-902-5571 Josh Swanson 360-902-6411	7/22/03	To be determined	To be determined	The purpose of this rulemaking is to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Adopt the most recent International Building Codes based on 2003 legislative changes (Chapter 291, Laws of 2003 – Substitute House Bill 1734) and other nationally recognized codes and standards;• Make clarifying and housekeeping changes; and• Review the rules for possible substantive changes.
Chapter 296-104 WAC	Board of boiler Rules - Substantive	Robert Marvin 360-902-5270 Josh Swanson 360- 902-6411	6/3/03	8/6/03	10/1/03	The purpose of this rulemaking is to make clarification and technical changes to the Board of Boiler Rules – Substantive (Chapter 296-104 WAC) based on actions and requests of the Board of Boiler Rules.
Chapter 296-400A WAC	Plumber Certification Rules	Pete Schmidt 360-902-5571 Josh Swanson 360-902-6411	4/17/02	8/19/03	9/24/03	The purpose of this rulemaking is to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Make changes resulting from the enactment of Chapter 82, Laws of 2002 (Engrossed Substitute House Bill 2470);• Review the rules for possible substantive changes; and• Make clarifying and housekeeping changes.



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Chapter 296-127 WAC	Prevailing wage	Rich Ervin 360-902-5310 Josh Swanson 360-902-6411	7/19/00	8/19/03	9/24/03	The purpose of this rulemaking is to repeal and/or revise WAC 296-127-018, Coverage and exemptions of workers involved in the production and delivery of gravel, concrete, asphalt, or similar materials.
Chapter 296-125 WAC	Nonagricultural Employment of Minors	Rich Ervin 360-902-5310 Josh Swanson 360-902-6411	9/19/01	8/19/03	9/24/03	The purpose of this rulemaking is to review these rules for possible changes to ensure conformity with federal laws pertaining to employment of minors where those laws are more restrictive.
Chapter 296-127 WAC	Prevailing Wage		7/19/00	9/16/03	10/15/03	The purpose of this rulemaking is to make substantive changes to the scope of work description rules that were adopted July 19, 2000 (WSR 00-15-077) with the assistance of an advisory committee. Clear rule writing principles will be applied to these rules.
Chapter 296-96 WAC	Safety Regulations & Fees for all Elevators, Dumbwaiters, Escalators & other Conveyances	Dotty Stanlaske 360-902-6128 Josh Swanson 360-902-6411	1/2/02	12/3/03	1/30/04	The purpose of this rulemaking is to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Make changes resulting from the enactment of Chapter 98, Laws of 2002 (Substitute House Bill 2629) and Chapter 143, Laws of 2003 (Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill 5942)Make substantive changes to the elevator rules that were adopted on 12/22/00 (see WSR 01-02-026); andMake clarifying and housekeeping changes.



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Chapter 296-150C, 296-150F, 296-150M, 296-150P, 296-150R, 296-150T, 296-150V, 296-96, 296-200A, 296-46B, 296-104, & 296-400A WAC	Washington Administrative Codes for Factory Assembled Structures; Safety Regulations & Fees for all Elevators, Dumbwaiters, Escalators & other Conveyances; Contractor Certificate of Registration Renewals, Security, Insurance; Electrical Safety Standards, Administration & Installation; Board of Boiler Rules – Substantive; & Plumbers Certification Rules.	Josh Swanson 360-902-6411	5/6/03	To be determined	To be determined	The purpose of this rulemaking is to review the fees for possible changes.